

# ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**Mass** Saturday: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:30 AM, 6:00 PM  
Weekdays and Holy Days:  
Check inside the bulletin for schedule.

### Communion Services

Check inside the bulletin.

### Little Flower Church Mission Statement

Little Flower Church (St. Therese of the Infant Jesus) is a vibrant faith community in the Roman Catholic Tradition, striving to live out the Gospel values of Jesus Christ. Centered in the Eucharist, we are called by God to look beyond ourselves to respond compassionately to the needs of others.

## The Theresean

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
**PARISH CENTER** 317-357-8352 Fax 317-357-5316

**SCHOOL** 317-353-2282 Fax 317-322-7702  
The school offers Pre-school 3's and 4's through Grade 8.  
Extended Care is available until 6:00 PM.  
Contact the school for more information.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:45 PM to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are held on most Sundays during the year. Baptisms are held after the 9:30 am Mass. If you prefer to have your child's baptism scheduled during Mass, you may request this at the time you return the baptism information form. Requests for the date and time specified will be honored to the extent possible. Parents who have not yet received pre-baptismal instruction are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class that is held 5 times per year. Call the Parish Office well in advance so that class arrangements may be made.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the priest 9 to 12 months in advance. A Wedding Handbook is available from the Parish Office which provides the necessary information on arranging for a marriage.

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING/MINISTRY TO THE SICK

In an emergency, contact the parish at any time. Please contact the Parish Center if you or a loved one are hospitalized, or are confined to home or a nursing facility, to receive the Eucharist and/or Anointing. Hospitals and healthcare facilities no longer routinely inform churches when a parishioner is admitted.

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Priesthood or Vocation as a Religious Sister or Brother. Those considering entering the Priesthood or a religious vocation, please contact our Pastor or the Archdiocesan Vocation Office at 317-236-1490.

### LITTLE FLOWER COUNSELING CENTER

Counseling services are available to Little Flower parishioners at a reduced rate. Please call Maureen Sweeney at (317) 617-2522.

### INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

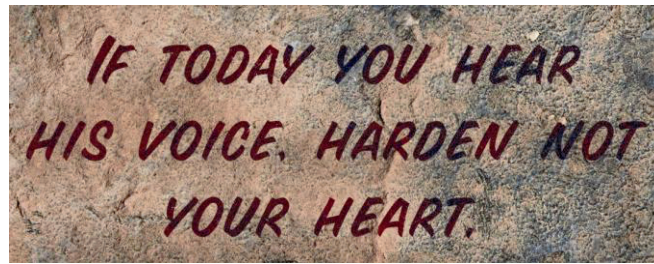
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome all those visiting with us today. If you are interested in knowing more about our parish or wish to register for membership, please call the Parish Office. Registration forms are also available at each of the church doors.

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Articles for the bulletin must be submitted in writing to the Parish center or by email to lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org by noon on Monday.



Dear Parish Family,

This weekend we celebrate the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. This year we have ten catechumens, one candidate, and two confirmandi. Those who are unbaptized are catechumens; those baptized in other Christian churches are candidates.

In this rite, our catechumens and candidates are asked to publicly declare their intentions to continue their journey towards becoming Catholic and to more fully embrace the Gospel message with God's help. They are signed with the Cross to show that they belong to Christ. Also, in this rite, the parish community more fully participates in and prays for those in the RCIA process. We encourage all parishioners to reach out to them as fellow members of the household of Christ.

Sunday marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. This year's theme is *Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.*

In lieu of our traditional in-person Open House, this Sunday we are hosting two Virtual Open Houses at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. This will be a good opportunity to get an introduction to Little Flower Catholic School and meet next year's teachers. Current school families and new families are welcome! The first will be geared to the parents of current students; the second will be geared to the parents of prospective students. Although advance registration is required, it is not too late to register. Visit <https://www.littleflowerparishschool.org> to register. We especially invite all parishioners with young children to register.

As we go forward this year, one of our challenges will be enrollment management in the midst of the pandemic, i.e., the recruitment of new students and the retention of current students. Even after today, I would encourage all of you to be ambassadors for Little Flower School and invite friends or neighbors with preschool-age children and/or grade-school-age children who might be searching for a school for their children to make an appointment to visit Little Flower for a tour.

Tuesday we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Traditionally this day is also called Candlemas Day because candles are blessed on this day.

Tuesday is also the World Day for Consecrated Life. Please pray for all those who have made commitments to the consecrated life, especially those from Little Flower, those who ministered at Little Flower, and those who attend Little Flower—Sister Sheila Hackett, OP, Sister Mary Catherine Duffy, SP, and Sister Therese Whitsett, SP. Please pray especially for Fr. Mike Barton who continues to minister in Africa. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

Wednesday, February 3, is the feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. Because St. Blaise saved a choking child, he is the patron saint for healing diseases of the throat, and, therefore, the blessing of throats is associated with the feast of St. Blaise. The blessing of throats will be incorporated into the final blessing at Mass today. However, throats will be individually blessed during Wednesday's 5:30 p.m. Mass.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



**Enrollment is Open!**

With a top-rated reading program, Project Lead the Way STEM curriculum, and excellent music/art programs, Little Flower Catholic School offers something for every preschool through 8th grade child. Educating students to be passionate, social-justice-driven individuals in a family-centric environment is our specialty.

Enrollment is open, and we look forward to meeting you. Call our office at 317-353-2282, or visit us online at <https://www.littleflowerparishschool.org/admissions> to register for our Virtual Open House on January 31 or to schedule a private tour.

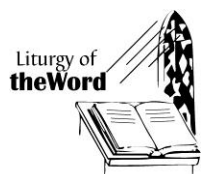
**JOB  
OPENING****Part-Time  
Maintenance Assistant**

We currently have a part-time daytime position (approximately 25 hours per week) for a highly motivated person to fill an immediate opening. Position will include general maintenance and light custodial work of all parish buildings and grounds. Applicant should have general knowledge of maintenance and custodial duties related to school and church buildings. Applicant will work in conjunction with Maintenance Director and night cleaning contractor to maintain Little Flower's campus. Applicant must be able to do heavy work, with some use of equipment for floor cleaning. Previous work experience in maintenance preferred.

This position could be ideal for a handy person who is retired and looking for something part time to stay busy.

Interested persons should email information to Angie Mackell at [amackell@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:amackell@littleflowerparish.org).

Permission has now been granted for the homebound to receive Communion. If you are not able to attend Mass due to being over the age of 65 or immunocompromised, please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 x 106 or [pclegg@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org), and every effort will be made to find someone to bring you Communion.

**Readings for February 6 and 7  
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Job 7:1-4, 6-7

I Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Mark 1:29-39

To read the readings on-line, go to:

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/020721.cfm>

Due to current guidelines on social gatherings and in an effort to keep all of our senior parishioners healthy and safe, there will be **NO Senior Prom** this year. Hopefully we will be able to have one in 2022!

**For the Week of February 1 - 7, 2021**

<b>01</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>Monday</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Al Carson
<b>02</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>
	9:30 a.m.	Michael O'Brien by Dennis & Noreen Murphy
<b>03</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Mary B. Moriarty Adams by Charles & Sheila Lyon
<b>04</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
	9:30 a.m.	Paul Hoffman by David & Bev Dinn
<b>05</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>Friday</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Steve Norris by the Commiskey Family
<b>06</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>Saturday – Vigil of the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Bud Denneman by Anita Moody
<b>07</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>Sunday – Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>
	9:30 a.m.	For the People
	6:00 p.m.	Carlos Pedrazza by Deysi, Alvaro, & Debbie Pedrazza



Please welcome into our Christian Community Samantha Gomez-Gallardo, daughter of Luis Gomez and Gloria Gallardo, who was baptized on Sunday, January 24, 2021.



The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is **Monday, February 1, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center. This class is required for parents who are requesting baptism for their child and have not previously attended a preparation class. Please call the parish center at 317-357-8352 to let us know you plan to attend. Plan ahead, as the next class will not take place until April.

**Annual financial statements have been prepared and mailed. Statements for *Christ our Hope* United Catholic Appeal will be mailed by the Archdiocese. Statements for donations to the School Annual Fund, memorial gifts, and *Chillin' With Fr. Bob* will be separate from the statements for regular parish donations. Please contact Angie at 317-357-8352 ext. 102 or email [amackell@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:amackell@littleflowerparish.org) with any questions.**

**Please keep our ill and homebound parishioners in your thoughts and prayers, especially the following people who have requested prayers for various reasons:**

Bill Ajamie, Karen Ajamie, Esther Capps, Roberta Galluzzi, Gene Miller, Joe Swift, Dave Parris, Denice Rose, Martha Haddin, Gary Walters, Haydee Gloria, Charles Aughe, Fr. Paul Koetter, Margie Greene, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Tricia Allstatt, Charlie Goodman, Bobbie Lawless, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Joe Clegg, Mary Skinner, Carol Freeland, Dan Dugan, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, Lourdes Riedeman, and the Forestal Family.

If you get a chance, please send them a card or a note. It will brighten their day. This week we especially want to remember:

**John and Margaret Hughel**  
934 N Lesley Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46201



**Pray for our active military family/friends:**

**Brian Ledgerwood**, serving on the USS Theodore Roosevelt, son of Diane Anderson.

**Victor Franco**, serving at Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls, MT.

**Christopher Torzewski**, currently deployed in the United States Army.

If you or someone in your family is ill or serving our country and would like their name listed in the bulletin so others can pray for them, please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or [pclegg@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org).

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of January 23 and 24	\$	5,048.11
Electronic Contributions 1/18 – 1/22	\$	5,064.34
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Actual	\$	388,024.83
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget	\$	390,000.00
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 1,975.17

### Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$	2,096.65
December Contributions	\$	2,619.32
January Contributions (to date)	\$	1,961.32

### United Catholic Appeal

(gifts processed as of 1/21)

Parish Goal	\$	55,359.00
# of gifts received or pledged		103
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$	26,130.00

Knights of Columbus Fatima Event Center

Located at 1040 North Post Road

BINGO will be held every Tuesday morning from 9:30 a.m. to Noon. We have a \$1,000 Jackpot. The Fatima Council will comply with local restrictions regarding COVID 19.



### HOLY COMMUNION

On Saturday, February 6, at the 5 p.m. Mass, we will celebrate the Rite of Enrollment for our candidates for First Eucharist. At this rite, the children will be called forward by name. Along with their parents, they will renew their baptismal promises and receive a lit candle as a reminder of their baptism. Please keep these children and their families in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare to receive Jesus for the first time this spring.

### Employment Opportunities at Sccecina

Sccecina's High School's Crusader Café is looking for a substitute cafeteria worker. Cafeteria workers assist in food preparation, setting up serving lines, serving food to students, cleaning counters, dishes, and food preparation areas, restocking serving lines, and other duties as assigned by the Cafeteria Manager. All candidates must pass a background check.

To be considered for a position, please apply at Sccecina High School, 5000 Nowland Avenue, in St. Francis Hall, which is located to the east of the school building, or call Marty Dugan at 317-352-3235.

### Vice President for Finance and Operations Sccecina Memorial High School

The Vice President for Finance and Operations is committed to student success and the mission and values of Sccecina Memorial High School. He/she manages and monitors school budget preparation and control, internal financial controls, financial reporting systems, and human resource processes while overseeing systems for payroll administration, accounts payable, tuition receivables, and auxiliary activities. The person in this role manages the tuition-assistance program and supervises the business office staff, cafeteria manager, and spirit shop manager. He/she maintains compliance with school, archdiocesan, and state of Indiana policies. The Vice President is a member of the President's Administrative Team and Finance Committee of the Sccecina Board of Directors. Qualified and interested candidates are invited to send a letter of interest and resume to:

Joe Therber  
President

Sccecina Memorial High School  
5000 Nowland Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46201  
[jtherber@sccecina.org](mailto:jtherber@sccecina.org)

**Next weekend is Propagation of the Faith Sunday. By our Baptism we take on the responsibility to be Christ's witnesses and to share our faith with the world that has yet to hear the Good News of God's love. Please use the envelope provided in your regular packet and place it in the regular collection.**



### The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference is back for 2021 with live streaming options this year. Improve your vocations and become better spouses, parents, children, brothers and neighbors by growing in masculine virtue. Be the leader, protector and provider Christ is calling you to be! In 2021, be a light in a world of darkness! The 6th annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference will take place on February 27, 2021 and features 3 of the world's most dynamic Catholic speakers: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Jason Evert and Patrick Coffin. Watch it LIVE! Easy one-click online access for only \$10. Host a "watch party" with your friends, family, men's group or entire parish. These tickets are available online by going to [E6 Catholic Men's Conference - Registration](https://www.E6CATHOLICMENSCONFERENCE.COM).



Happy New Year!!! As we enter 2021, know that Cathedral's Admissions Office is open and available for questions. Please don't hesitate to reach out to our office, [gocathedral.com/admissions](https://www.gocathedral.com/admissions) or 317-968-7370.

### Shadowing at Cathedral High School

It's back!! 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who have applied for admission to Cathedral High School have the opportunity to visit campus and shadow a current student. Please register today at [www.gocathedral.com/shadow](https://www.gocathedral.com/shadow).

### High School Placement Test

Cathedral High School will administer the High School Placement Test on February 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am. Preregister by visiting [www.gocathedral.com/placementtest](https://www.gocathedral.com/placementtest).

### Financial Aid

Financial Aid applications can be submitted NOW to [gocathedral.com/tuitionassistance](https://www.gocathedral.com/tuitionassistance). Apply now for the academic year 2021-2022.

### Personalized Tours

Please sign up for individual tours through our website, [gocathedral.com/admissions](https://www.gocathedral.com/admissions), to schedule. These are being offered frequently and are in lieu of other on-campus events.

### FESTIVAL NEWS

#### Summerfest 2021

Tentative dates – June 4, 5, and 6

We are not really sure what the festival might look like this year, but we are beginning to make plans. We have hope that some form of the festival will take place this year.

A kick-off meeting will be held on **Wednesday, January 27, via Zoom** for those who are willing to be part of the parish festival leadership team. Call Angie at 317-357-8352 or email [amackell@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:amackell@littleflowerparish.org) if you'd like to be a new part of the team.

#### YOUR ACTION REQUIRED!

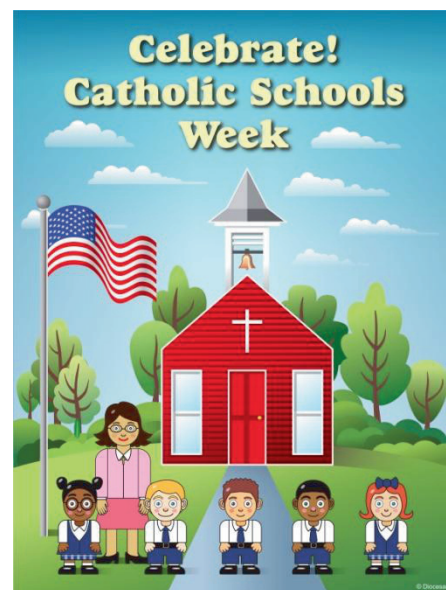
If you plan to volunteer in any **gaming** capacity at this year's festival, we need your help now! This includes anyone working/selling at Bingo, Monte Carlo, Adult Games, Pull Tabs/Tip Boards, Main Raffle, and/or any special raffles.

In order to comply with State Gaming Commission requirements, we need to provide a complete list of volunteer information. Please send the following information to [sclegg@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:sclegg@littleflowerparish.org) with a subject line of "Festival Worker Information" **by February 5:**

- Legal Name
- Date of Birth
- Driver's License or State ID Number
- Complete Home Address
- Daytime Telephone Number

**If you sent us your information previously and nothing has changed, you don't need to send again.**

**IF NOT, PLEASE SEND IT RIGHT AWAY SO WE CAN GET THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK FILED. If you are not sure if you submitted it previously, please send it now so we can make sure you are on the list.** If you do not have email, you may write down the information and leave it at the parish office or place it in the collection. **THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!**





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